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He also chaired two recently released Practice Guides for the U.S. Department of Education on Response to Intervention (Rtl) for both Mathematics and Reading. These are among the most frequently downloaded publications of the Department.

He has been frequently interviewed by *Education Week* for articles on a wide range of topics involving mathematics education, English learners and reading instruction. At present, he has over 150 publications and serves on the editorial boards of many prestigious journals in the field. He currently serves as a Principal Investigator for the What Works Clearinghouse project on English learners. He serves as a national consultant and technical expert for numerous national research projects involving evaluation.

Dr. Gersten has conducted numerous randomized trials, many of which have been published in major journals in the field of education. He has either directed or co-directed 42 applied research grants addressing a wide array of issues in education and been a recipient of many federal and non-federal grants (more than \$17.5 million).